

New Mandovi Bridge

3671. SHRI HARISH PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons why an amount of Rs.1422.11 lakhs has been paid to the contractor as on July 22, 1991 while the amount of award is Rs. 957 lakhs only;

(b) whether the tempo of construction work on the new Mandovi bridge in Goa is very slow; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to expedite the completion of this bridge?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Higher amount has been paid to the contractor because of increase in scope of work after the award.

(b) and (c). The tempo of work on the bridge was affected due to collapse of a centring truss alongwith superstructure in one of the spans during construction. The design of the superstructure has been revised and the progress of work is being

reviewed regularly to expedite completion of the bridge.

Capital Investment by Banks and Financial Institutions in Madhya Pradesh

[Translation]

3672. SHRI BARELAL JATAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total capital investment made in Madhya Pradesh by the Life Insurance Corporation of India, General Insurance Corporation and various nationalised banks, separately during the last three years and upto October 31, 1991;

(b) whether these banks and financial institutions propose to invest more capital in that State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c). The total amounts invested by LIC of India and the GIC of India and its Subsidiary Companies in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Amount (Rs. in Crores)	
	LIC.	GIC.
1988-89	73.78	9.56
1989-90	163.23	11.62
1990-91	152.34	6.97
(April-October 1991)	39.67	3.39

Investment of the Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding RRBS) in

Madhya Pradesh are as under:-

	(Rs. in Crores)
1988	951.38
1989	1183.08
1990	1407.18

Investment by financial institutions etc. in a particular State depends on bankable proposals received. Investments by LIC and GIC in a particular State also depend, to a certain extent, on the allocation made by the Planning Commission annually.

Recovery of Excise Duty from Cement Factories in Rajasthan

3673. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of excise duty recovered from the cement factories of Rajasthan during the last three years;

(b) the number of cases pending in the courts in this regard; and

(c) the amount of excise duty arrears yet to be recovered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Rs. 382.55 crores (Rupees Three Hundred Eightytwo crores and Fiftyfive lakhs only)

Yearwise

1988-89	- Rs. 113.59 crores
1989-90	- Rs. 128.73 crores
1990-91	- Rs. 140.23 crores

(b) 10 (Ten) cases

(c) Rs. 10.74 crores (Rupees Ten crores

and Seventyfour lakhs only)

[English]

Revised Pay Scale of Assistants and Stenographers

3674. SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether consequent upon the implementation of the Fourth Pay Commission Report, all officials in the Central Secretariat Service and in the autonomous and subordinate offices of the Union Government in the scale of Rs. 425-800 were given the scale of Rs. 1,400 - 2600;

(b) if so, the reasons for not giving the revised scale of Rs. 1640-2900 to the officials of the autonomous and subordinate offices, when the Assistant and Stenographers of the Central Secretariat Service have been given the revised scale;

(c) the steps contemplated to give the revised scale to the analogous officials of autonomous and subordinate offices in the pre-revised scale of Rs. 425-800; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to ensure that the officials of the autonomous and subordinate offices also get arrears in cash w.e.f. 1.1.1986 as in the case of officials of Central Secretariat Service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTTDUKHE): (a) to (d). The Fourth Pay Commission had recommended a scale of Rs. 1400-2600 as the revised scale for the Assistance. Subsequently, the scale of Assistants of the Central Secretariat Service and Stenographers Grade 'C' of the Central Secretariat Stenographers Service was